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Subject: RE: [WA, NWEA Petition Response]: Desk statement

Any ideas on how to rephrase if its not too late?

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I can check, might be too late to make changes...

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Do you think its **Deliberative Process / Ex. 5** I think **Deliberative Process / Ex. 5** When we're done futzing with it, can you make sure Macintyre knows about this? Thanks.

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Hi Janine,

Please use the below desk statement for the WA NWEA petition denial. We anticipate a signature next week (May 30).

**Northwest Environmental Advocates Petition Response
Desk Statement**

On May 30, 2017, EPA signed a response to an October 2013 petition for rulemaking from the Northwest Environmental Advocates (NWEA). The petition requests that EPA use its federal rulemaking authority under Clean Water Act (CWA) section 303(c)(4)(B) to update water quality criteria for toxics to protect human health and aquatic life in Washington. Specifically, the request is that EPA promulgate human health criteria for arsenic, thallium and dioxin as well as update Washington's aquatic life criteria as necessary to meet requirements of CWA section 303(c)(2)(B). Considering Washington's significant progress in developing and adopting revised human health criteria and anticipated updates to the state's aquatic life criteria in the future, EPA denied the petition. EPA works closely with Washington, providing both technical and programmatic guidance for the development of protective water quality standards. In November 2016, EPA took action approving 45 human health criteria and finalized a federal rule that revised 144 additional human health criteria applicable to Washington's waters, which became effective December 28, 2016.